

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 ATHENS 09940 171806Z

47

ACTION EUR-08

INFO OCT-01 SS-14 ISO-00 EURE-00 SSO-00 NSC-05 NSCE-00

CIAE-00 INR-05 INRE-00 PM-03 L-01 SP-02 /039 W

----- 072882

O P 171640Z DEC 75

FM AMEMBASSY ATHENS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1796

INFO USMISSION NATO PRIORITY

JCS PRIORITY

SECDEF PRIORITY

USDELMC PRIORITY

USCINCEUR PRIORITY

USDOCOSOUTH PRIORITY

CINCUSAFE PRIORITY

CINCUSNAVEUR PRIORITY

USNMR SHAPE PRIORITY

DIRNSA PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L ATHENS 9940

LIMDIS

DEPT PASS COPY TO EUR/SE/GRK, ROBERT L. PUGH

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, PFOR, GR, US

SUBJECT: US-GREEK BASE NEGOTIATIONS: GREEKS PRESENT THEIR OUTLINE OF
DUTIES AND AUTHORITIES OF GREEK COMMANDERS AT JOINT-FACILITY
BASES

1. CALOGERAS DECEMBER 16 TRANSMITTED TO STEARNS PAPER PRE-
PARED BY GREEK SIDE OUTLINING THEIR VIEW OF THE AUTHORITY,
DUTIES AND PEROGATIVES OF GREEK BASE COMMANDERS AS US
FACILITIES PASS UNDER NOMINAL GREEK COMMAND. PAPER, WHICH
WAS GIVEN TO STEARNS IN GREEK, IS ENTITLED "DUTIES OF THE
GREEK COMMANDER AT JOINT-FACILITY BASES." IN HANDING THE
PAPER TO STEARNS, CALOGERAS SAID THAT HE REGARDED IT AS
A FIRST CUT AT THE SUBJECT, IN EFFECT A "TALKING PAPER",
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 ATHENS 09940 171806Z

WHICH WAS DESIGNED TO GIVE THE AMERICAN SIDE SOME IDEA

OF HOW THE GREEKS VISUALIZED THE RELATIONSHIP OF GREEK COMMANDERS TO AMERICAN PERSONNEL AND ACTIVITIES AT FACILITIES IN GREECE. HE SAID THAT THE PAPER WAS OPEN TO DISCUSSION, AS FAR AS THE GREEK SIDE WAS CONCERNED, AND ASSUMED WE WOULD WISH TO PRESENT OUR CONSIDERED REACTION IN THE THIRD PLENARY ROUND. PAPER READS AS FOLLOWS (EMBASSY'S TRANSLATION FROM GREEK). BEGIN TEXT:

DUTIES OF THE GREEK COMMANDER AT JOINT FACILITY BASES

1. MAINTAINS DETAILED KNOWLEDGE OF THE JOINT FACILITY UNDER HIM AS TO ITS ACTIVITIES AND OPERATIONS, INSURING THAT IT DOES NOT DEVIATE FROM THE STIPULATED FRAMEWORK OF THE RELATED TECHNICAL ARRANGMENT.

2. SUPERVISES AND CONTROLS THE GENERAL APPLICATION OF THE RELATED TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT AND ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

3. COLLABORATES WITH THE AMERICAN CHIEF OF THE JOINT FACILITY ON EVERY MATTER ESPECIALLY AS TO QUESTIONS OF TRAINING OF GREEK PERSONNEL, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE RELATED TECHNICAL ARRANGMENT.

4. KEEPS HIMSELF INFORMED AS TO PERSONNEL OF EVERY CATEGORY WHATSOEVER WHO ARE PRESENT IN THE JOINT FACILITY BY NAME AND TYPE OF DUTIES.

5. KEEPS HIMSELF INFORMED AS TO EVERY TYPE OF MATERIAL AND MACHINERY BELONGING TO THE JOINT FACILITY, THEIR PLACEMENT AND THE PURPOSE WHICH THEY SERVE.

6. CONTROLS AND COORDINATES QUESTIONS OF ORDER, DISCIPLINE, POLICING, PROTECTION, AND SECURITY OF THE JOINT FACILITY, AS PROVIDED IN DETAIL IN THE RELATED TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT AS WELL AS BY THE PERTINENT REGULATIONS AND SECURITY PLANS OF THE NATIONAL AUTHORITIES. HE THEN ISSUES THE REQUIRED ORDERS TOWARDS THIS END.

7. EXERCISES THE REQUIRED CONTROL OVER ENTRY AND EXIT, BY WHATEVER MANNER, OF PERSONNEL, MATERIAL AND MACHINERY. CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 ATHENS 09940 171806Z

8. RECOMMENDS THE REMOVAL OF PERSONNEL FROM THE COMMON FACILITY IN INSTANCES WHERE SOUND REASONS SUGGEST THIS ACTION.

9. FURNISHES TO THE JOINT FACILITY ASSISTANCE ON MATTERS OF LOGISTIC SUPPORT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE RELATED TECHNICAL ARRANGMENTS. END TEXT.

2. COMMENT: STEARNS TOLD CALOGERAS THAT HE WOULD TRANSMIT THE GREEK DRAFT TO WASHINGTON AGENCIES CONCERNED IN THE US-GREEK BASE NEGOTIATIONS FOR THEIR STUDY AND COMMENT. HIS PERSONAL REACTION AFTER READING THE GREEK TEXT WAS THAT SEVERAL OF THE PARAGRAPHS WERE UNREALISTIC AND WOULD LEVY REQUIREMENTS ON AMERICAN SIDE WHICH WERE TIME-CONSUMING AND IMPRACTICAL AND WOULD IMPAIR THE SMOOTH OPERATIONS OF OUR FACILITIES WITHOUT BENEFITING GREEK SIDE. HE CITED PARAS. 4, 5 AND 7 AS EXAMPLES OF THIS NOTING THAT IT WAS NORMAL FOR US PERSONNEL TO BE ROTATED AT FREQUENT INTERVALS. HE QUESTIONED WHETHER IT WOULD BE PRACTICAL FOR THE GREEKS TO ATTEMPT TO MONITOR ALL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES. IT APPEARED TO STEARNS THAT THE GREEK SIDE SHOULD BE SATISFIED WITH INFORMATION ON PERSONNEL LEVELS AND CATEGORIES AND NOT REPEAT NOT TRY TO KEEP A LOG ON EVERY ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF US PERSONNEL. SIMILARLY, HE THOUGHT IT WAS UNREALISTIC TO CLEAR WITH GREEK SIDE EVERY SHIFT OF MATERIAL AND MACHINERY, AS WAS APPARENTLY ENVISAGED IN PARA. 7 OF THE GREEK PAPER. IN GENERAL, STEARNS THOUGHT THAT EFFECTIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WOULD DEPEND MORE ON THE GOODWILL AND COMMON SENSE OF THE GREEK BASE COMMANDERS AND THEIR AMERICAN COUNTERPARTS THAN ON FAR-RANGING AND DIFFICULT-TO-APPLY TEXTUAL FORMULATIONS.

3. CALOGERAS REPEATED THAT HE REGARDED THE GREEK DRAFT AS A POINT OF DEPARTURE. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE GREEK SIDE HAD NO REPEAT NO DESIRE TO SUPERVISE EVERY DETAIL OF AMERICAN ACTIVITIES AT JOINT FACILITIES. FROM THE GREEK STANDPOINT IT WAS HOWEVER IMPORTANT TO MAKE CLEAR THAT US FACILITIES WOULD BE OPERATING ON A NEW BASIS IN GREECE AND THAT GREEK COMMANDERS HAD MORE THAN COSMETIC AUTHORITY OVER THE PERSONNEL AND ACTIVITIES PERFORMED THERE.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 04 ATHENS 09940 171806Z

STEARNS SAID THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THE GREEK OBJECTIVE AND BELIEVED THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO WORK SOMETHING OUT WHICH SATISFIED GREEK CONCERNS WITHOUT IMPOSING UNREALISTIC OR IRRELEVANT OBLIGATIONS ON AMERICAN OR GREEK PERSONNEL.

KUBISCH

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: MILITARY BASES, JOINT VENTURES, FOREIGN POLICY POSITION, NEGOTIATIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 17 DEC 1975
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: SmithRJ
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975ATHENS09940
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750438-1047
From: ATHENS
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19751233/aaaabcuz.tel
Line Count: 159
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: LIMDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: LIMDIS
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: SmithRJ
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 03 JUN 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <03 JUN 2003 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <16 OCT 2003 by SmithRJ>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: US-GREEK BASE NEGOTIATIONS: GREEKS PRESENT THEIR OUTLINE OF DUTIES AND AUTHORITIES OF GREEK COMMANDERS AT JOINT-FACILITY
TAGS: MARR, PFOR, GR, US
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006